Estimate regarding production credit of gross cropped area in West Bengal

2897. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRIMATI CHANDRAKALA PANDEY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the requirements of production credit for 50% of the gross cropped area in West Bengal was estimated by NABARD itself (based on the S. R. Sen Committee report) to be about Rs. 2000 crore per year;

(b) if so, whether only Rs. 40 crores is being disbursed as against this by all Commercial Banks in the State, per annum;

(c) if the priority sector credit increased to 40% level, the CDR of the State would go up to 80%; and

(d) if so, whether such under provisioning of institutional credit in the State is adversely affecting the growth potential of the State?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that the requirement of production credit in West Bengal as estimated by Dr. S.R. Sen Committee by the end of VII Plan and VIII Plan period was as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Lower Estimates		Higher Estimates	
1989-90	1994-95	1989-90	1994-95
370	530	650	740

The corresponding estimates for production credit (Crop loan) made by NABARD in the Potential Linked Credit Plan (PLCP) for West Bengal in respect of all agencies for the period 1992-93 to 1996-97 is as under:

	updated (PLCP)
1992-93	225.69
1993-94	245.36
1994-95	253.38
1995-96	275.90
1996-97	343.38
TOTAL	1343.71

(b) The estimation of ground level credit disbursement for crop loan purpose by various agencies in the State of West Bengal during the year 1995-96 is as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Particulars	Target for the year	Disbursements during the year
Commercial Banks	62.77	60.03
Central Cooperative Banks/State Cooperative Banks	230.30	198.26
Land Development Banks	—	—
Regional Rural Banks	17.40	12.88
TOTAL	310.45	211.17

(c) and (d) As per data available from Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the credit-deposit ratio of all scheduled commercial banks for West Bengal was 56% as on end March, 1996.

As per data available from United Bank of India, the convenor bank, the advances to priority sector of all commercial banks and Regional Rural Banks stood at 31.74% of the total outstanding credit of these institutions in West Bengal as on September 1995.

Issues relating to banking developments, priority sector credit and provision of adequate credit for productive activities in the State are discussed periodically in the meetings of State Level Bankers' Committee.

Implementation of Prasar Bharati Act

2898. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have implemented the Prasar Bharati Act;

(b) to what extent Government are thinking to grant autonomy to Doordarshan and AIR;

(c) what are the Aggarwal Committee recommendation regarding duty distribution among various service officers under his Ministry mainly in Doordarshan;

(d) whether Government have accepted all the recommendation of the Aggarwal Committee;

(e) if so, whether Government propose to implement them; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) The Expert Group constituted to review the provisions of Prasar Bharati Act, 1990, has submitted its report recently. Further action on the recommendations contained in the report, would be taken after consultations with representatives of political parties, media and employees' associations.

(c) Aggarwal Committee has suggested the creation of a "Management Pool" comprising officer from Programme, Engineering and News cadres.

(d) to (f) Government have accepted most of the recommendations made by the Committee and a decision has also been taken to implement the same. Only six out of the total ninety-eight recommendations, have not been accepted. Implementation of some of the recommendations would depend upon the requirenments and availability of resources from time to time.

Transfer of Central Excise and Custom Inspectors

2899. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the enmass transfer of 151 inspectors of Central Excise and Customs has paralysed the work in the Commissionerate, its range Offices and the Air Cargo Complex in Hyderabad;

(b) if so, what are the main reasons for the transfers;

(c) what are their demands; and

(d) what steps have been taken to restore the work which has greatly affected the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The transfer of Inspectors issued in the common-cadre Commissionerates of Hyderabad, Guntur and Vishakhapatnam, in April 1996 was an annual general transfer order; which included 17 Inspectors who were transferred to Guntur/ Vishakhapatnam Commissionerates. The main demand was for stay of transfer orders by the Inspectors of Hyderabad. The order has been reviewed and the general transfer order has been implemented barring a few inter-Commissionerate transfers from Hyderabad to Vishakhapatnam and Guntur Commissionerate. The transfer did not affect the work of the State Government and the revenue collection at all.

मध्य प्रदेश में साहसिक पर्यटन को बढ़ावा देने के संबंध में प्रस्ताव

2900. **श्री राघवजी:** क्या पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को मध्य प्रदेश सरकार की ओर से राज्य में साहसिक पर्यटन को बढ़ावा देने के संबंध में कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुए है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा उन प्रस्तावों पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है, यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री तथा पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री श्रीकान्त जैना): (क) से (ग) जी, हां। मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को साहसिक पर्यटन के उद्देश्य से प्रदान की गई वित्तीय सहायता, विवरण में दी गई है।

विवरण

साहसिक क्रीड़ाओं के लिए स्वीकृत स्कीमों को दर्शाने वाला विवरण-पत्र

मध्य प्रदेश

क्रम सं.	परियोजना/स्कीम का नाम	(लाख रुपयों में) स्वीकृत राशि
1.	अपरलेक, भोपाल हेतु जल क्रीड़ा उपकरण	10.09
2.	शिवपुरी के लिए नावें	1.83
3.	ग्वालियर के टिगारा बांध एवं नरवर के लिए जलक्रीड़ा उपकरण	11.20